## **ABSTRACT**

A method and system for collaborative computing environment access restriction and orphan data management is provided in the form of establishment and implementation of a data handling policy in which the data handling policy for one of a person and a role is stored on a computer storage medium. The data handling policy is implemented in the collaborative computing environment by providing access to data in accordance with the established data handling policy. Access to the data handling policy is provided to a person affected by the data handling policy in which the access to the data handling policy includes allowing the affected person to view the data handling policy.